

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2000 SESSION

CHAPTER 498

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 2.1-1.3, 2.1-1.6 as it is currently effective and as it may become effective, 54.1-3408, 63.1-68, 63.1-69.1, 63.1-70.1, and 63.1-73.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Board and Department for the Visually Handicapped.

[H 988]

Approved April 5, 2000

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 2.1-1.3, 2.1-1.6 as it is currently effective and as it may become effective, 54.1-3408, 63.1-68, 63.1-69.1, 63.1-70.1, and 63.1-73.1 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 2.1-1.3. Entities subject to standard nomenclature.

The following independent administrative entities are subject to the standard nomenclature provisions of § 2.1-1.2:

- Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department.
- Department of Accounts.
- Department for the Aging.
- Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
- Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.
- Department of Aviation.
- Department of Business Assistance.
- Department of Conservation and Recreation.
- Department of Correctional Education.
- Department of Corrections.
- Department of Criminal Justice Services.
- Department for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing.
- Department of Education.
- Department of Emergency Services.
- Department of Environmental Quality.
- Department of Employee Relations Counselors.
- Department of Fire Programs.
- Department of Forestry.
- Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.
- Department of General Services.
- Department of Health.
- Department of Health Professions.
- Department of Historic Resources.
- Department of Housing and Community Development.
- Department of Information Technology.
- Department of Juvenile Justice.
- Department of Labor and Industry.
- Department of Medical Assistance Services.
- Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services.
- Department of Military Affairs.
- Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy.
- Department of Minority Business Enterprise.
- Department of Motor Vehicles.
- Department of Personnel and Training.
- Department of Planning and Budget.
- Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation.
- Department of Rail and Public Transportation.
- Department of Rehabilitative Services.
- Department for Rights of Virginians With Disabilities.
- Department of Social Services.
- Department of State Police.
- Department of Taxation.
- Department of Technology Planning.
- Department of Transportation.
- Department of the Treasury.

Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Department for the Visually Handicapped *Blind and Vision Impaired*.

Governor's Employment and Training Department.

§ 2.1-1.6. State boards.

A. There shall be, in addition to such others as may be established by law, the following permanent collegial bodies affiliated with a state agency within the executive branch:

Accountancy, Board of
Agriculture and Consumer Services, Board of
Air Pollution, State Advisory Board on
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, Virginia
Apple Board, Virginia State
Appomattox State Scenic River Advisory Board
Aquaculture Advisory Board
Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape
Architects, Board for
Art and Architectural Review Board
Athletic Training, Advisory Board on
Auctioneers Board
Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology, Board of
Aviation Board, Virginia
Barbers, Board for
Blind and Vision Impaired, Virginia Board for the
Branch Pilots, Board for
Bright Flue-Cured Tobacco Board, Virginia
Building Code Technical Review Board, State
Catoctin Creek State Scenic River Advisory Board
Cattle Industry Board, Virginia
Cave Board
Cemetery Board
Certified Seed Board, State
Charity Food Assistance Advisory Board
Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Board
Chickahominy State Scenic River Advisory Board
Child Abuse and Neglect, Advisory Board on
Chippokes Plantation Farm Foundation, Board of Trustees
Clinch Scenic River Advisory Board
Coal Mining Examiners, Board of
Coal Research and Development Advisory Board, Virginia
Coal Surface Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Board
Conservation and Development of Public Beaches, Board on
Conservation and Recreation, Board of
Contractors, Board for
Corn Board, Virginia
Correctional Education, Board of
Corrections, State Board of
Cosmetology, Board for
Criminal Justice Services Board
Dark-Fired Tobacco Board, Virginia
Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing, Advisory Board for the Department for the
Dentistry, Board of
Design-Build/Construction Management Review Board
Education, State Board of
Egg Board, Virginia
Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board, State
Farmers Market Board, Virginia
Fire Services Board, Virginia
Forestry, Board of
Funeral Directors and Embalmers, Board of
Game and Inland Fisheries, Board of
Geology, Board for
Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Board
Health Planning Board, Virginia
Health Professions, Board of
Health, State Board of

Hearing Aid Specialists, Board for
 Hemophilia Advisory Board
 Historic Resources, Board of
 Housing and Community Development, Board of
 Irish Potato Board, Virginia
 Juvenile Justice, State Board of
 Licensed Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Substance Abuse Treatment
 Professionals, Board of
 Litter Control and Recycling Fund Advisory Board
 Marine Products Board, Virginia
 Medical Advisory Board, Department of Motor Vehicles
 Medicare and Medicaid, Advisory Board on
 Medicine, Board of
 Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services Board, State
 Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Board
 Military Affairs, Board of
 Mineral Mining Examiners, Board of
 Minority Business Enterprise, Interdepartmental Board of the Department of
 Networking Users Advisory Board, State
 Neurotrauma Initiative Advisory Board, Commonwealth
 North Meherrin State Scenic River Advisory Board
 Nottoway State Scenic River Advisory Board
 Nursing, Board of
 Nursing Home Administrators, Board of
 Occupational Therapy, Advisory Board of
 Oil and Gas Conservation Board, Virginia
 Opticians, Board for
 Optometry, Board of
 Peanut Board, Virginia
 Personnel Advisory Board
 Pesticide Control Board
 Pharmacy, Board of
 Physical Therapy to the Board of Medicine, Advisory Board on
 Plant Pollination Advisory Board
 Polygraph Examiners Advisory Board
 Pork Industry Board, Virginia
 Poultry Products Board, Virginia
 Private College Advisory Board
 Private Security Services Advisory Board
 Professional and Occupational Regulation, Board for
 Professional Soil Scientists, Board for
 Psychiatric Advisory Board
 Psychology, Board of
 Public Broadcasting Board, Virginia
 Public Buildings Board, Virginia
 Public Guardian and Conservator Advisory Board
 Radiation Advisory Board
 Real Estate Appraiser Board
 Real Estate Board
 Reciprocity Board, Department of Motor Vehicles
 Recreational Fishing Advisory Board, Virginia
 Reforestation Board
 Rehabilitation Providers, Advisory Board on
 Rehabilitative Services, Board of
 Respiratory Care, Advisory Board on
 Rockfish State Scenic River Advisory Board
 Safety and Health Codes Board
 Seed Potato Board, State
 Sewage Handling and Disposal Appeal Review Board, State Health Department
 Shenandoah State Scenic River Advisory Board
 Small Business Advisory Board
 Small Business Environmental Compliance Advisory Board
 Small Grains Board, Virginia
 Social Services, Board of

Social Work, Board of
 Soil and Water Conservation Board, Virginia
 Soybean Board, Virginia
 State Air Pollution Control Board
 Substance Abuse Certification Board
 Surface Mining Review, Board of
 Sweet Potato Board, Virginia
 T & M Vehicle Dealers' Advisory Board
 Teacher Education and Licensure, Advisory Board on
 Transportation Board, Commonwealth
 Transportation Safety, Board of
 Treasury Board, The, Department of the Treasury
 Veterans' Affairs, Board on
 Veterinary Medicine, Board of
 Virginia Board for Asbestos and Lead
 Virginia Coal Mine Safety Board
 Virginia Correctional Enterprises Advisory Board
 Virginia Cotton Board
 Virginia Employment Commission, State Advisory Board for the
 Virginia Geographic Information Network Advisory Board
 Virginia Horse Industry Board
 Virginia Manufactured Housing Board
 Virginia Retirement System, Board of Trustees
 Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, Advisory Commission on the
 Virginia Sheep Industry Board
 Virginia Veterans Cemetery Board
 Virginia Waste Management Board
~~Visually Handicapped, Virginia Board for the~~
 Voluntary Formulary Board, Virginia
 War Memorial Foundation, Virginia, Board of Trustees
 Waste Management Facility Operators, Board for
 Water Resources Research Center Statewide Advisory Board, Virginia
 Waterworks and Wastewater Works Operators, Board for
 Well Review Board, Virginia.

B. Notwithstanding the definition for "board" as provided in § 2.1-1.2, the following entities shall be referred to as boards:

Compensation Board
 State Board of Elections
 State Water Control Board
 Virginia Parole Board
 Virginia Veterans Care Center Board of Trustees.
 § 2.1-1.6. (Contingent effective date) State boards.

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 Apple Board, Virginia State
 Appomattox State Scenic River Advisory Board
 Aquaculture Advisory Board
 Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects, Board for
 Art and Architectural Review Board
 Athletic Training, Advisory Board on
 Auctioneers Board
 Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology, Board of
 Aviation Board, Virginia
 Barbers, Board for
Blind and Vision Impaired, Virginia Board for
 Branch Pilots, Board for
 Bright Flue-Cured Tobacco Board, Virginia
 Building Code Technical Review Board, State
 Catocin Creek State Scenic River Advisory Board

Cattle Industry Board, Virginia
 Cave Board
 Cemetery Board
 Certified Seed Board, State
 Charity Food Assistance Advisory Board
 Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Board
 Chickahominy State Scenic River Advisory Board
 Child Abuse and Neglect, Advisory Board on
 Chippokes Plantation Farm Foundation, Board of Trustees
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 Coal Mining Examiners, Board of
 Coal Research and Development Advisory Board, Virginia
 Coal Surface Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Board
 Conservation and Development of Public Beaches, Board on
 Conservation and Recreation, Board of
 Contractors, Board for
 Corn Board, Virginia
 Correctional Education, Board of
 Corrections, State Board of
 Cosmetology, Board for
 Criminal Justice Services Board
 Dark-Fired Tobacco Board, Virginia
 Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing, Advisory Board for the Department for the
 Dentistry, Board of
 Design-Build/Construction Management Review Board
 Education, State Board of
 Egg Board, Virginia
 Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board, State
 Farmers Market Board, Virginia
 Fire Services Board, Virginia
 Forestry, Board of
 Funeral Directors and Embalmers, Board of
 Game and Inland Fisheries, Board of
 Geology, Board for
 Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Board
 Health Planning Board, Virginia
 Health Professions, Board of
 Health, State Board of
 Hearing Aid Specialists, Board for
 Hemophilia Advisory Board
 Historic Resources, Board of
 Housing and Community Development, Board of
 Irish Potato Board, Virginia
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Personnel Advisory Board
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Public Buildings Board, Virginia
Public Guardian and Conservator Advisory Board
Radiation Advisory Board
Real Estate Appraiser Board
Real Estate Board
Reciprocity Board, Department of Motor Vehicles
Recreational Fishing Advisory Board, Virginia
Reforestation Board
Rehabilitation Providers, Advisory Board on
Rehabilitative Services, Board of
Respiratory Care, Advisory Board on
Rockfish State Scenic River Advisory Board
Safety and Health Codes Board
Seed Potato Board, State
Sewage Handling and Disposal Appeal Review Board, State Health Department
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Soybean Board, Virginia
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Veterinary Medicine, Board of
Virginia Board for Asbestos and Lead
Virginia Coal Mine Safety Board
Virginia Correctional Enterprises Advisory Board
Virginia Cotton Board
Virginia Employment Commission, State Advisory Board for the
Virginia Geographic Information Network Advisory Board
Virginia Horse Industry Board
Virginia Manufactured Housing Board
Virginia Retirement System, Board of Trustees
Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, Advisory Commission on the
Virginia Sheep Industry Board
Virginia Veterans Cemetery Board

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§ 54.1-3408. Professional use by practitioners.

A. A practitioner of medicine, osteopathy, podiatry, dentistry, or veterinary medicine or a licensed nurse practitioner pursuant to § 54.1-2957.01, a licensed physician assistant pursuant to § 54.1-2952.1, or a TPA-certified optometrist pursuant to Article 5 (§ 54.1-3222 et seq.) of Chapter 32 of this title shall only prescribe, dispense, or administer controlled substances in good faith for medicinal or therapeutic purposes within the course of his professional practice.

The prescribing practitioner's order may be on a written prescription or pursuant to an oral prescription as authorized by this chapter. The prescriber may administer drugs and devices, or he may cause them to be administered by a nurse, physician assistant or intern under his direction and supervision, or he may prescribe and cause drugs and devices to be administered to patients in state-owned or state-operated hospitals or facilities licensed as hospitals by the Board of Health or psychiatric hospitals licensed by the State Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services Board by other persons who have been trained properly to administer drugs and who administer drugs only under the control and supervision of the prescriber or a pharmacist or a prescriber may cause drugs and devices to be administered to patients by emergency medical services personnel who have been certified and authorized to administer such drugs and devices pursuant to Board of Health regulations governing emergency medical services and who are acting within the scope of such certification. A prescriber may authorize a certified respiratory therapy practitioner as defined in § 54.1-2954 to administer by inhalation controlled substances used in inhalation or respiratory therapy.

Pursuant to an oral or written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his professional practice, such prescriber may authorize registered nurses and licensed practical nurses to possess (i) epinephrine for administration in treatment of emergency medical conditions and (ii) heparin and sterile normal saline to use for the maintenance of intravenous access lines.

Pursuant to a written order or standing protocol issued by the prescriber within the course of his professional practice, such prescriber may authorize, with the consent of the parents as defined in § 22.1-1, an employee of a school board who is trained in the administration of insulin and glucagon to assist with the administration of insulin or administer glucagon to a student diagnosed as having diabetes and who requires insulin injections during the school day or for whom glucagon has been prescribed for the emergency treatment of hypoglycemia. Such authorization shall only be effective when a licensed nurse, nurse practitioner, physician or physician assistant is not present to perform the administration of the medication.

A prescriber may authorize, pursuant to a protocol approved by the Board of Nursing, the administration of vaccines to adults for immunization, when a practitioner with prescriptive authority is not physically present, (i) by licensed pharmacists, (ii) by registered nurses, or (iii) licensed practical nurses under the immediate and direct supervision of a registered nurse. A prescriber acting on behalf of and in accordance with established protocols of the Department of Health may authorize the administration of vaccines to any person by a pharmacist or nurse when the prescriber is not physically present.

A dentist may cause Schedule VI topical drugs to be administered under his direction and supervision by either a dental hygienist or by an authorized agent of the dentist.

No written prescription order form shall include more than one prescription. This provision shall not apply, however, to the entry of any order on a patient's chart in any hospital or any long-term care facility, as defined in Board regulations, in Virginia or to a prescription ordered through the pharmacy operated by the Department of Corrections, the central pharmacy of the Department of Health, or the central outpatient pharmacy operated by the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services.

Such a prescription shall be written, dated, and signed by the person prescribing on the day when issued, and shall bear the full name and address of the patient for whom the drug is prescribed, and the

full name, address, and registry number under the federal laws of the person prescribing, if he is required by those laws to be so registered.

This section shall not prevent the administration of drugs by a person who has satisfactorily completed a training program for this purpose approved by the Board of Nursing and who administers such drugs in accordance with a physician's instructions pertaining to dosage, frequency, and manner of administration, and in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Board of Pharmacy relating to security and record keeping, when the drugs administered would be normally self-administered by (i) a resident of a facility licensed or certified by the State Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services Board; (ii) a resident of any adult care residence which is licensed by the Department of Social Services; (iii) a resident of the Virginia Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and ~~Visually~~ Vision Impaired; (iv) a resident of a facility approved by the Board or Department of Juvenile Justice for the placement of children in need of services or delinquent or alleged delinquent youth; (v) a program participant of an adult day-care center licensed by the Department of Social Services; or (vi) a resident of any facility authorized or operated by a state or local government whose primary purpose is not to provide health care services.

Nothing in this title shall prohibit the administration of normally self-administered oral or topical drugs by unlicensed individuals to a person in his private residence.

This section shall not interfere with any prescriber issuing prescriptions in compliance with his authority and scope of practice and the provisions of this section to a Board agent for use pursuant to subsection G of § 18.2-258.1. Such prescriptions issued by such prescriber shall be deemed to be valid prescriptions. This section shall not prohibit a prescriber from using preprinted prescriptions for drugs classified in Schedule VI if all requirements concerning dates, signatures, and other information specified above are otherwise fulfilled.

B. The written prescription referred to in subsection A of this section shall be written with ink or individually typed and each prescription shall be manually signed by the prescriber. The prescription may be prepared by an agent for his signature. The prescription shall contain the name, address, telephone number, and federal controlled substances registration number assigned to the prescriber. The prescriber's information shall be either preprinted upon the prescription blank, typewritten, rubber stamped, or printed by hand.

The oral prescription referred to in subsection A of this section shall be transmitted to the pharmacy of the patient's choice by the prescriber or his authorized agent. For the purposes of this section, an authorized agent of the prescriber shall be an employee of the prescriber who is under his immediate and personal supervision, or if not an employee, an individual who holds a valid license allowing the administration or dispensing of drugs and who is specifically directed by the prescriber.

C. Pursuant to § 32.1-87, the prescription form shall include two boxes, one labelled "Voluntary Formulary Permitted" and the other labelled "Dispense As Written." A prescriber may indicate his permission for the dispensing of a drug product included in the Formulary upon signing a prescription form and marking the box labelled "Voluntary Formulary Permitted." A Voluntary Formulary product shall be dispensed if the prescriber fails to indicate his preference. Whenever a pharmacist dispenses a Voluntary Formulary product when a prescription is written for a brand name product, the pharmacist shall label the drug with the generic name followed by the words "generic for" followed by the brand name of the drug for which the prescription is written. If no Voluntary Formulary product is immediately available, or if the patient objects to the dispensing of a generic drug, the pharmacist may dispense a brand name drug. On and after July 1, 1993, printed prescription forms shall provide:

" ☐ Dispense As Written

☐ Voluntary Formulary Permitted

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Signature of prescriber

If neither box is marked, a Voluntary Formulary

product must be dispensed."

D. Prescribers' orders, whether written as chart orders or prescriptions, for Schedules II, III, IV and V controlled drugs to be administered to (i) patients or residents of long-term care facilities served by a Virginia pharmacy from a remote location or (ii) patients receiving parenteral, intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous or intraspinal infusion therapy and served by a home infusion pharmacy from a remote location, may be transmitted to that remote pharmacy by an electronic communications device over telephone lines which send the exact image to the receiver in hard-copy form, and such facsimile copy shall be treated as a valid, original prescription order.

§ 63.1-68. Appointment, terms and qualifications of members of Board; eligibility for reappointment; quorum.

Prior to July 1, 1988, the Virginia Board for the ~~Visually Handicapped~~ *Blind and Vision Impaired*, hereinafter sometimes called the Board, shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by the Governor for terms of seven years each, one term beginning each year. Effective July 1, 1988, the members of the Board shall be appointed by the Governor for terms of four years. No person shall be eligible to serve more than two successive terms, provided that a person heretofore or hereafter appointed to fill a vacancy may serve two additional successive terms. Incumbency during a current term when this section becomes effective shall constitute the first of two successive terms with respect to eligibility for reappointment. Vacancies occurring on the Board shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term. All appointments hereunder shall be made without reference to party affiliations, but solely on account of the fitness of the appointees to discharge their duties as members of the Board. The membership of the Board, however, shall at all times include four persons who are blind. Four members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any lawful business. Annually, the Board shall elect its chairman from among its blind members.

Wherever in the laws of this Commonwealth reference is made to the Virginia Commission for the Blind or, to the Virginia Commission for the Visually Handicapped, ~~such reference shall be deemed to be to the Virginia Department for the Visually Handicapped, or to the Virginia Board for the Visually Handicapped, whichever is appropriate for the context, such reference shall be deemed to be the Virginia Department or Board for the Blind and Vision Impaired.~~

§ 63.1-69.1. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

"Board" means the Virginia Board for the ~~Visually Handicapped~~ *Blind and Vision Impaired*;

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of the Department for the ~~Visually Handicapped~~ *Blind and Vision Impaired*; and

"Department" means the Department for the ~~Visually Handicapped~~ *Blind and Vision Impaired*.

§ 63.1-70.1. Statewide Rehabilitation Advisory Council for the Blind created.

The Statewide Rehabilitation Advisory Council for the Blind is hereby created to provide advice to the Department for the ~~Visually Handicapped~~ *Blind and Vision Impaired* regarding vocational services provided pursuant to Title I and Title VI of the federal Rehabilitation Act. Membership and duties shall be constructed according to federal provisions.

§ 63.1-73.1. Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and Vision Impaired; operation and maintenance.

The Department shall have the authority and responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the Virginia Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and Vision Impaired for the purpose of providing services to eligible blind and visually handicapped individuals.

2. That the provisions of this act shall become effective on January 1, 2001.